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Applicant: Rajankikant JONNALAGADDA et al.      Conf.: 5236  
Appl. No.: 09/874,538      Group: 3743  
Filed: June 5, 2001      Examiner: L.R. LEO  
For: ISOLATION AND FLOW/DIRECTION CONTROL PLATES OF A  
HEAT EXCHANGER

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 12, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Non-Final Office Action dated March 12, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 7, 9-10 and 15 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A heat exchanger assembly comprising:  
a shell;

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